

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 25, 2006

CORRECTIONAL OFFICER ARRESTED

A Saluda County Correctional officer was arrested by SLED agents on Monday, July 24, 2006, and charged with **Sexual Misconduct with an Inmate**.

The officer is identified as **Tosha Denise Abney**, 34, of 1247 Bonham Road, Saluda, South Carolina. She was arrested on Monday afternoon at approximately 5:00 p.m. and was booked at the Saluda County Detention Center.

The arrest is a result of an investigation conducted by SLED at the request of the Saluda County Sheriff's Office. The case will be prosecuted by the 11th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

* Warrant Attached.

Copy

ARREST WARRANT

J140284

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of
SALUDA COUNTY

THE STATE

against

ABNEY, TOSHA DENISE

Address: 1247 BONHAM RD.
SALUDA, SC 29138

Phone: _____ SSN: 250-200-1234
Sex: F Race: B Height: 5' 05" Weight: 105
DL State: SC DL #: 0000000000
DOB: 12/31/1971 Agency ORI#: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: SLED

Prosecuting Officer: GERI MCKIE

Offense: SEX MISCONDUCT W/ INMATE

Offense Code: G157

Code/Ordinance Sec. 44-23-1150 B2

This warrant is **CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE** in the
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

_____. The accused
is to be arrested and brought before me to be
dealt with according to law.

_____. (L.S.)
Signature of Judge

Date _____

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to
defendant ABNEY, TOSHA DENISE
on 7-24-06

[Signature]
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

JOYCE B. SHULTS
108 SOUTH RUDOLPH STREET
SALUDA, SC 291380000

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of)
SALUDA COUNTY)

AFFIDAVIT

Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 618

Personally appeared before me the affiant GERI MCKIE who
being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant ABNEY, TOSHA DENISE
did within this county and state on JUL 01, 2006 Thru JUL 24, 2006 violate the criminal laws of the
State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of SALUDA COUNTY)
in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

SEX MISCONDUCT W/ INMATE
44-23-1150 B2

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the
crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT:

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of)
SALUDA COUNTY)

Affiant's Address 4400 BROAD RIVER RD.
COLUMBIA, SC 29221

Affiant's Telephone _____

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OF MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that
on JUL 01, 2006 Thru JUL 24, 2006 defendant ABNEY, TOSHA DENISE

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of SALUDA COUNTY) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

SEX MISCONDUCT W/ INMATE
44-23-1150 B2

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said
defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to
the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me)
on JULY 24, 2006)

[Signature] (L.S.))

Signature of Issuing Judge)
Judge Code: 801)

JOYCE B. SHULTS

Judge's Address 108 SOUTH RUDOLPH STREET
SALUDA, SC 291380000

Judge's Telephone (864) 445-4500

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

AUDIT COPY

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

AFFADAVIT

COUNTY OF SALUDA

Personally appeared before me one Geri McKie who being duly sworn states and deposes that the defendant, Tosha Denise Abney is an employee of the Saluda County Detention Center. During the month of July 2006 the defendant began engaging in conversation of a sexual nature with a defendant incarcerated at the Saluda County Detention Center. During the second or third week in July the defendant did fondle an inmate at the Saluda County Detention center for the purposes of sexual gratification. This incident occurred while the defendant was on duty at the Saluda County Detention Center. Said incident is in violation of the south Carolina Code of laws Section 44-23-1150 B2 of the South Carolina code of Laws as amended.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, THIS 24th DAY OF JULY 2006.


MAGISTRATE FOR SALUDA COUNTY


AFFIANT